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Lack of space, ventilation at building chosen to house Namma Clinic in Halasuru draws flak from residents, social activists

CLINICAL PRECISION

'1,000-1,200 sq ft area, ventilation, parking, must for facility'

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Namma Clinics are meant to address healthcare needs of the urban poor. The facilities are to be opened in all wards of the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) under the 15th Finance Commission grants.

Efforts are on from the BBMP's part to set up Namma Clinics at all wards in the city. However, the selection of the location to set up the Namma Clinic at Halasuru in Shivajinagar assembly constituency has drawn flak from residents and social activists.

As per the specifications approved by the National Urban Health Mission, a Namma Clinic has to be set up in a building spread over 1,000 to 1,200 sq ft area, with sufficient ventilation, parking space and other amenities.

The resident citizens and social activists in Halasuru blamed BBMP health officials and ward engineers for selecting a congested portion of a building to set up Namma Clinic. They said the building in question is under dispute — 'it is not advisable to set up a Namma Clinic at such a

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"We managed to get this space without paying advance amount as there is no provision for BBMP to pay advance amount

— BBMP medical officer, Shivajinagar

At your service

Facility in ward to help citizens avail pensions, ration cards, health insurance schemes and other services

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In a one of its kind initiative to assist the needs of citizens who have not been able to apply for pensions, ration cards or health insurance schemes, a 'Citizen Genie Centre' has been set up at Seegehalli ward in Kadugodi.

A door to door survey will be carried out at the ward with the aim of covering over 500 houses — details of senior citizens and people with disabilities below poverty line will be collected; the ward officers will provide them with details that are required to apply for state and central government schemes that can be of benefit to them.

The initiative was taken forward by Sampath Ramanujam, founder of Anvaya Foundation and ward councillor, Seegehalli, as many of the senior citizens in the ward highlighted that they were facing problems in getting their pensions.

At the Citizen Genie Centre applications will be filled in digitally with the help of citizens' documents.

Ramanujam had noticed that during the time of pandemic many of the labourers did not have e-SHRAM cards,

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3 THINGS TO DO

01 Echoes of Earth

Echoes Of Earth, India's greenest music festival is back after a three-year hiatus. The festival is set to bring back the essence of conscious lifestyle events that promote mindfulness, sustainability, and an alternate, circular lifestyle, with inventive stages created from upcycled material and curating eclectic music genres that are known to bring together a new-age listening audience.
Where: Embassy Riding School
When: December 3 & 4, 3pm onwards
Tickets: echoesofearth.com/

02 Ways of seeing

Multimedia artist Leo Ahlers, bangaloREsident@SandboxCollective, will showcase their work at Ways of Seeing: The gendered female body - A Photo Exhibition this weekend. The artist explores Super 8mm films of the '70s, presenting different perspectives to the sexualised, quasi, conform female body. Note: This is only for an 18+ audience. **Where: Kānike, Hutchins Cross**
When: December 2 – 4
Info: goethe.de/bangalore

03 Melodies divine

A meeting at a contemporary art space inspired saxophone player Julius Gabriel and sitar player Navya Rudrappa to explore the possibility of a collaboration. An exchange of ideas from their respective musical backgrounds led to sessions with Nadaswaram Vidwan Dakshinamurthy and parai player Naresh Kumar. The idea of a performance was finalised after a rehearsal with renowned tabla player Muthu Kumar. The music of this trio is influenced by classical ragas, jazz music, and intuitive improvisation.
Where: The Indian Music Experience Museum
When: December 1, 06:00 pm

Guidelines for school kids: A half-baked idea?

Many schools say policies suggested by Department of School Education are far-fetched for implementation

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The Department of School Education and Literacy has yet again directed educational institutions on enforcing guidelines to ensure the safety and protection of children on campus.

Creating awareness about the Protection of Children from Sexual Offense (POCSO) Act -2012, advertising child helpline numbers on school premises, instituting child care committees, installing complaint and suggestion boxes and opening them once a week to address the issues raised by children, and recording attendance of the students twice a day are some of the measures suggested by the department to ensure that a fearless and child-friendly environment is created on campuses.

However, many city schools that BM spoke to say while the policy is good on paper, monitoring and execution of some of the aspects are far-fetched.

As per the department's circular, the child safety committee formed at the school level should be headed by the school principal and should have at least two teachers, three parents, the school development and monitoring committee (SDMC) president, two students and one health department officer. Moreover, the committee must meet at least once every month to discuss children's rights and protection.

According to school management, while the committee is there in principle, it does not meet as frequently as prescribed by the department. Moreover, some schools also admitted that the committees have not been revised and have members that are not part of the school anymore.

"While the child vigilance committee was formulated by most schools around four years ago, they need to undergo revision. Parents, teachers and student members of the committee might have moved on or been replaced. Moreover, the idea of monthly meetings is far-fetched. Many parents do not turn up for the PTAs as well," said the representative of a city-based private school.

D Shashi Kumar, secretary of the Association of Primary and Secondary schools of Karnataka, said that the child care committee is not there in some schools, especially the public schools.

"The committee is missing in some schools in the city as schools have not given importance to this aspect. When it comes to government schools, most of the measures put in place by the department are missing in action. While the department conducts checks in case of unaided schools, they seldom visit public schools for inspection. It should come up with an independent body to ensure that all the schools are following the regulations related to child safety and protection," said Kumar.

Yet another measure mentioned in the circular that the schools say is implausible is the requirement of teachers and other staff to reach the schools half an hour before the commencement of the schools.

"While we have ensured other measures such as installation of complaint box, spreading awareness about the children helpline numbers and providing official identity cards to all persons working on the school premise, it is difficult to ensure that all the teachers and staff reach the campus 30 minutes in advance," said the principle of another city-based school.

Policies regarding kids need careful monitoring, say experts

Keep your kids safe from measles, folks

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With the sudden outbreak of measles in Mumbai, health professionals in the city are asking parents to stay cautious and ensure that children are vaccinated.

Recent report by the World Health Organisation states that measles vaccination coverage has steadily declined since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Dr Rajath Athreya, Senior Consultant and HOD Paediatrics and Neonatology, Sakra World Hospital, Bengaluru said, "Measles is one of the most contagious viral infections. The vaccine is one of the most effective vaccines that has been in use for over six decades now. It has prevented millions of child deaths. Unvaccinated children are at risk of serious complications like blindness, brain fever, pneumonia and death (10-40 per cent of them go into complications; younger the age group higher is the risk). Thirdly, since the vaccine cover was really good up until now, there was no 'natural exposure' to the measles virus and immunity was possible only through vaccination. So, it is not surprising that there is a spurt in measles cases and deaths have occurred."

PICTURE FOR REPRESENTATION ONLY

The symptoms are high fever which starts 10-12 days after exposure to the virus.

Along with that, runny nose, skin rashes around the face and upper neck, sore throat and cough, conjunctivitis or small white spots inside the cheeks.

Experts say getting vaccinated is the best way to keep the infection at bay

Dr Yogesh Kumar Gupta, consultant-paediatrics, Fortis Hospital, Bannerghatta Road added that so far, they have not seen any cases of measles in the last one month. "We cannot comment if there are any mutations in the genetic material of the viral strains leading to the outbreak. Overcrowding and poor hygiene can add to the viral transmission. "

Dr Sreedhara MS, Consultant Neonatology & Pediatrics, Rainbow Children's Hospital, Hebbal, pointed out that the only measure to prevent the outbreak was by attaining herd immunity. He stated that more than 85 per cent of people should be vaccinated, in order to protect communities and achieve and maintain measles elimination.

"If your child has missed out on routine immunisations, it is of utmost importance to get catch up doses given as soon as possible," he said.

PSI recruitment scam: Chargesheet opens up more questions than answers

Too many loopholes in chargesheet filed by CID police in case involving ADGP Amrit Paul and others

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If the loopholes in the chargesheet filed by the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) police pertaining to the PSI recruitment case registered at High Grounds Police Station are an indication, it seems the CID police are neither sincere about punishing the culprits nor interested in ensuring that innocent are not made to suffer.

A chargesheet is filed in a case (No. 60/2022) under the Sections of 120(b), 36, 37, 119, 409,420, 465, 468, 471, 201, including 34 of the IPC in the case related to the Police Sub-Inspector (PSI) recruitment scam allegedly involving Additional Director General of Police Amrit Paul and others. All the alleged accused are in judicial custody. Paul's bail was rejected by the court recently.

Meanwhile, a peek into the chargesheet reveals the CID police did not do homework while preparing it. For example, Deputy Superintendent of Police Shantha Kumar, in his statement, claimed to have handed over a bag with Rs 1.35 crore to Amrit Paul behind Oni Muneshwara Temple at 4.30 pm. Kumar (page no. 2,760) said he was waiting near the temple with the bag and the ADGP asked the car driver to stop as soon as he saw him.

File photo of a protest by PSI candidates at Freedom Park

The chargesheet filed by the CID police does not mention the size, colour or weight of the bag with so much cash. The chargesheet has also failed to have the driver's version to corroborate Kumar's statement about stopping the car and handing over of the bag to the ADGP.

However, the chargesheet states that Kumar handed over the bag to Amrit Paul at 3.30 pm. It also states that Amrit Paul halted his vehicle and received the cash from Kumar. But when it comes to the timing, there is a one-hour difference – 3.30 pm and 4.30 pm.

The are discrepancies in the statement of one Channabasaiah Swamy. He has claimed (Page 4,194) that he collected money (Rs 10 lakh, Rs 15 lakh and Rs 30 lakh) from others on behalf of Amrit Paul who is the neighbour of his brother-in-law Shambulingaiah residing at Chitrakoota Apartment. He claims he handed over the amount to his brother-in-law. He claimed Amrit Paul gave Rs 1,99,50,000 to his brother-in-law Shambulingaiah. He claimed that he distributed the amount among Jagadeesh (Rs 51,50,000) for looking after Amrit Paul's agricultural farm, Ganesh Murthy (Rs 85,00,000) for constructing Amrit Paul's house and Rs 23 lakh to Amrit Paul's family members and remaining Rs 41,00,000 was handed over to the CID police.

However, the amount mentioned by Channabasaiah (Rs 1,99,50,000) does not tally with the amount mentioned in the chargesheet (Rs 1.35 crore). The other discrepancy is that neither were the statements of Jagadeesh and Ganesh Murthy sought or mentioned to verify if indeed Channabasaiah Swamy or his brother-in-law gave money to them.

The police also failed to verify why Amrit Paul would have to engage a third person to hand over money to the building contractor and a caretaker of his own agricultural farm.

Condoms, cigarettes, whiteners found in school bags

A routine exercise of checking school bags in Bengaluru schools revealed shocking facts of the students being in possession of condoms, contraceptives, cigarettes and whiteners.

Incidents such as consuming alcohol, having shots of vodka in schools have become quite common, but, what is disturbing is that substances are found, says D Shashikumar, general secretary of the Associated Managements of Schools in Karnataka (KAMS).

The schools have decided to send these children on a 10-day holiday. The managements have also decided to keep the information confidential and arrange counselling for the students and their parents. The checking was conducted mainly in the schools located on the outskirts of Bengaluru.

The condoms and contraceptives were found in the bags of Class 10 students. Upon questioning, the students are said to have told the teaching staff they needed to have some fun amid their tight schedule, sources said. It was a routine exercise taken up by the school managements as per the advice of KAMS. Sources in the education ministry said they have not received any complaints on this. **IANS**

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Positive development, negative maintenance

BBMP to develop space near Kittur Rani Chennamma statue; citizens say 'wrong priority'

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The open space near the Kittur Rani Chennamma statue that BBMP officials are planning to develop

The Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) has embarked on developing the open space near Kittur Rani Chennamma statue near the town hall. If developed, the open space is set to become a destination for people, including businessmen on JC Road and surrounding areas, to relax for a while in the evening.

"We have taken up development of the open space at an estimated cost of over Rs 80 lakh. The work is in progress.

The place will have a screen that will provide shade to the people sitting on the platform," said BBMP Engineer-in-Chief B S Prahlad.

The open space under development was an abandoned place, reportedly being misused by lazy and destitute people.

Many people have welcomed the civic body's plan to develop the vacant space for the benefit of people who want to relax for a while in the morning and evening.

They said that BBMP authorities should and must take measures to maintain the space that is being developed by spending lakhs of rupees.

"The open space in front of Kittur Rani Chennamma statue should be maintained properly. The BBMP authorities should assign dedicated staff for the maintenance of this place," said Manjunath N, a businessman.

The developed space would be of much help for the people who want to organise cultural or awareness programmes in front of the town hall. They can use the open space to sit and have discussions before commencing programmes.

> **"We have taken up development of the open space at an estimated cost of over Rs 80 lakh. The work is in progress. The place will have a screen for shade**
> –BBMP Engineer-in-Chief B S Prahlad

"I am very happy about the development of the open space. Now, it looks nice.

I hope the BBMP authorities will ensure basic amenities at this place that is being developed by using taxpayers' money," said Vishwas P, a pedestrian.

Expressing concern over the poor maintenance of public places developed by the BBMP, Nataraj Sharma, a pedestrian, said the open space looks beautiful.

"The Palike authorities should take measures to prevent hawkers or street vendors from misusing this space. If the authorities maintain it properly, it will be an added value to the town hall and Ravindra Kalakshetra buildings," said Sharma.

Questioning the BBMP for spending money on developing the open space, Karthik D, a businessman, said that the authorities spend money to revamp things but forget about the very existence of the space as soon as the work is complete.

"I am against BBMP spending money to develop public and open spaces when the need of the hour is to maintain existing spaces," he said.

Meanwhile, the BBMP Engineer-in-Chief has said that the civic body has also decided to develop the open space around the Kempegowda statue opposite the BBMP Head Office.

Kaggadasapura Main Road's cries 'unheard'

These potholes on Kaggadasapura Main Road are troubling commuters and residents in the area

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Commuters say that the Kaggadasapura Main Road is in a terrible condition. Despite the road connecting to several important places like DRDO, HAL, and Bagmane Tech Park, people face never-ending inconveniences while taking this stretch.

Amit Kumar, a commuter, said, "Passing through this road is a nightmare. The entire stretch is filled with potholes, because of which it takes a lot of time to cover. I have gotten stuck on this road several times. Immediate action needs to be taken by the authorities to fix this area soon."

Arjun Singh, another commuter, told Bangalore Mirror, "This road is used by so many people and is such a busy road, but it is still in this condition. We get stuck in traffic so many times because one cannot drive a normal speed on this stretch. The worst thing is that it has been like this for a very long time and no action has been taken by authorities to fix this yet. It is quite a dangerous stretch and can cause accidents at any point in the future."

People staying nearby said that they have tried to raise a lot of complaints about this issue. Despite that, the authorities have reportedly not paid any attention to their concerns or come up with any solutions.

Sobhita S, a resident of the area, told BM, "We have made so many complaints. We have also sent messages to the BBMP officials and requested them to fix the road, but they just left our messages on read and did not say anything. No one paid any heed to our problems, nor did they even come to the area to see the condition of the road."

Commuters and residents said that during rains, the state of the road becomes even worse. Sumit Jain, one of the affected commuters, said that the stretch was flooded on many occasions following rains. In the city, it rains without any warning, and if there is another heavy spell of rain, the road will become flooded again, he said.

He added that before such an incident happens again, the authorities should fix the road."

A BBMP official said that they would try to work on the issue as soon as possible.

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Tragedy strikes when love & hate collide in B'luru

A woman was recently killed in Bengaluru by her live-in boyfriend after their dispute turned violent. The deceased has been identified as Krishna Kumari, and the accused, her boyfriend, Santosh Dhami.

According to the police, following a heated argument in Horamavu with his partner, Dhami slammed Kumari's head against the wall.

The victim was working as a beautician in a spa and Dhami was working in a salon shop. Both of them had been staying together for two years, but later, they started fighting every day, said the police.

"After they started fighting, Santosh hit her with a rod. She was in pain and video called her friend. Her friend reached their home and took her to the hospital, but she did not survive," police informed.

The case has been registered under Ramamurthy Nagar police station.

Speaking about the incident, DCP East Division Bheemashankar S Guled said, "We got a call at around 1:30 last night from the hospital. The woman was already dead. We immediately filed a complaint and started investigating the matter."

A woman was killed by her live-in-partner after an argument; police said the accused had slammed the victim's head on a wall

Extramarital affair leads to murder

In another shocking incident, a woman and her lover have been accused of killing the former's spouse after he forbade them from having an extramarital affair. Dasegowda, 48, has been named as the deceased.

The wife of Dasegowda reported him missing on November 28 and the police were searching for him. But later, Dasegowda's body was discovered within the boundaries of the police station. Two people, including Dasegowda's wife, were detained and questioned, after which the truth was revealed.

"In the past, the husband and wife would fight frequently. The young man with whom she was having an affair would arrive at her home when her husband wasn't there. Then the husband suddenly went missing and the wife filed a complaint. During investigation, it was found that he had been murdered and the body was dumped near the Bengaluru Mysuru expressway in Ramanagara rural police limits," informed police.

Theft under guise of marriage

A married man in Basaveshwaranagar has been accused of robbing a woman by flirting with her under the guise of getting married. The accused has been identified as Pradeep.

"He was visiting her house, saying that he will marry her, but he stole jewellery worth Rs 15 lakh from her," said police.

A complaint has been filed in Magadi Road police station.

The accused has been detained and is being questioned by the police.

— Ahna Prakash

Long way for bus bays?

Commuters boarding a BMTC bus (File photo); BMTC has already introduced bus bays at some major juntions in Bengaluru

Experts say they can ease congestion, but civic bodies are causing delays in implementation

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Traffic police and experts are continuously looking into better solutions and strategies that can help decongest roads in the city.

One such suggestion traffic experts have given is the construction of more bus bays for Bengaluru Metropolitan Transport Corporation (BMTC) buses.

A bus bay or an off-line bus stop is a designated spot on the side of a road where buses may pull out of the flow of traffic to pick up and drop off passengers. The main intention of the system is to keep the flow of traffic smooth without any hindrance caused by the buses.

"It is a long impending plan for BMTC buses. They should not stop directly at the junctions, as when they do that, the entire area gets congested," said Professor MN Sreehari, Founder and Chairman, Indian Smart City Development Organisation and a retired traffic advisor.

"They have to go at least 30 m from the main road and find a bay. The buses should stop in these designated spots only and should not let off passengers on the roadside," he added.

BMTC has already introduced bus bays at some major junctions in the city such as Corporation Circle, P Kalingarao Road, Mission Road, Residency Road (near Mayo Hall), Jayadeva Hospital, and BTM Layout.

According to AV Surya Sen, Director, BMTC (IT), the planning for bus bays and bus priority lanes in the city is ongoing. However, the traffic police and the government agencies need to step up for the same.

"We are continuously in talks for bus priority lanes (BPL) and bus bays, but Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) and other stakeholders need to step up for the implementation. It is a project that is long-pending, but no one is interested to give us that facility," he said.

However, experts suggest that in order to smoothen the traffic flow in the city, both BBMP and BMTC should plan for a better network of bus bays.

Among the complaints by the commuters in the city, one major issue is about BMTC buses not stopping at the designated bus stops.

> **"It is a long impending plan for BMTC buses. They should not stop directly at the junctions**
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> – MN Sreehari, traffic advisor

Recently, the traffic police have also been conducting special drives with the BMTC bus drivers to improve traffic discipline.

The Assistant Commissioner of Police (Traffic), South Sub-division, told Bangalore Mirror that poor traffic discipline by big vehicles like BMTC buses can cause traffic congestion.

"We often notice buses stopping at the undesignated spots to pick up commuters, which blocks the entire road. To improve that, we are focusing on traffic discipline by the BMTC buses," he said.

IN BRIEF

Speeding vehicle kills woman

A woman died in an accident recently after a goods vehicle collided with her scooter Old near Madras Road, KR Puram Traffic Police Station limits.

"The driver was speeding recklessly from the Tin Factory side towards KR Puram. He hit the scooter from the back and fled the accident spot. As a result of the impact, the victim and her friend fell down. She suffered injuries on her head and was admitted to a hospital for treatment. However, she could not make it," said Kala Krishnaswamy, Deputy Commissioner of Police, East Traffic Division.

Cops are currently in search of the goods vehicle driver who fled the scene

The police are investigating the matter and are in search of the absconding driver.

Bus driver held for rape

A bus driver was reported to have raped a girl in Chandra Layout police station limits recently. The accused has been identified as Shivakumar.

"The victim was waiting for a bus in Nayandahalli junction. Around 5.30pm on November 29, the driver stopped the bus and the victim entered the vehicle, but there was nobody else in the bus," said police.

According to the police, the driver took her to Mahadeshwara Temple in Nagarbhavi and raped her. The victim reported the incident to her son and took a picture of the bus on her phone.

Later the victim's son found the bus and the driver.

"Someone informed us about a fight between the driver and the victim's son. We went to the spot and brought them to the police station. We also registered an immediate FIR and the accused was arrested," police informed.

Citizen Genie Centre

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through which those working in the unorganised sectors could apply for pension.

"The centre will be a single point office for the citizens. They can come forward themselves with necessary documents; we will carry out the process further. Starting from pensions of senior citizens and widows to people with disabilities and those in the unorganised sector — we will try to help all of them.

For those who are not able to come to the centre by themselves, a set of volunteers will reach out by going to homes and doing the needful," Ramanujam said.

Citizens can also dial a helpline number - 9900217171 - if they want volunteers to be sent to their houses to help with a particular service. Other facilities like income certificates, caste certificates, health cards, ration cards, life certificates, payment of bills, scholarships can also be facilitated for citizens at the centre.

"The target of the survey is over 500 houses; so far 160 houses have been covered. The services will be free of charge. A special on-the-spot registration camp for Above Poverty Line citizens will be held too to facilitate ration cards," Ramanujam further noted.

The centre was launched on Wednesday by Mahadevapura MLA Aravind Limbavali.

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I Sushma Madhukar W/o Banavara Nagaraju Madhukar R/o #56 Vagdevi 4th Floor, sri Nanjundeshwara Residency, 13th Cross, Ideal Homes Layout, RR Nagar, B'luru 560098 have changed my name to Bangalore Prakash Sushma for all purposes.

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Notice to BBMP chief in voter data scam

The Karnataka police has issued a notice to the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike Chief Commissioner Tushar Giri Nath in connection with the sensational voter ID scam, sources said on Wednesday.

During the probe, the accused attached to the Chilume institute, now under radar in connection with the scam, maintained that they collected the inputs of Aadhaar card details, sources said.

The police have probed 45 Regional Officers and Assistant Regional Officers. Four of them have been arrested, while other ROs and AROs are fearing arrest.

Ruling BJP in Karnataka which is facing allegations by the opposition Congress of manipulating the voters' list and stealing data to its advantage, had also lodged a complaint for investigation of voter ID scam with the Central Election Commission.

Karnataka Congress had questioned ruling BJP on deletion of 27 lakh names from the voters' list in the state to its political advantage. State Congress President DK Shivakumar had questioned that deletions are made without form-7 which is compulsory.

"There are multiple legal issues regarding the scam. There is no provision for anyone to get the details of voters. The state has 8,250 election booths. One person has to be deputed for every booth for investigation," he had demanded.

> **"There are multiple legal issues regarding the voter ID scam**
>
> –DK Shivakumar, President, K'taka Congress

However, the ruling BJP rebutted Congress saying that their anger was because of the deletion of more than 1.5 lakh duplicate voters roped in from neighbouring states. The party alleged that Congress had settled voters belonging to the minority community.

Congress General Secretary and the party's Karnataka in-charge Randeep Singh Surjewala said that BJP government at the Centre was involved. "The central government headed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi is directly involved in stealing data from voters," he stated.

The investigators have issued a notice to suspended BBMP special Commissioner S Rangappa and Bengaluru Urban District Deputy Commissioner, K Srinivas.

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Varsity students fret over delayed results

Technical glitches, new software are causing delay in announcement of results; students plan to organise protest after one week's time

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Students plan on submitting a memorandum to the vice chancellor to release results soon

Many students in Karnataka are infuriated over the delay in the announcement of results by several universities all over the state.

"The first semester results for any of the courses under the New Education Policy (NEP) have not been released yet. Now the second semester exams have also been completed but we still have not received the result for the first semester," said Lakshya Raj, a student of Bangalore City University (BCU) and a member of the National Student Union of India (NSUI).

The NSUI has decided to protest against the delayed results in the coming week if the situation doesn't improve.

"We are going to give a memorandum to the vice chancellor (VC) and give them the time of one week to announce the results. If the results are still not announced we will arrange a protest against the same," he added.

The universities in Bengaluru claim that the main reason behind the delay is that they are facing technical glitches and challenges with the state government's new Unified University and College Management System (UUCMS).

"It is a challenging thing, no doubt. Although some universities have already announced the results there are still discrepancies. This is also to do with the UUCMS portal, it is a new software in the making," said Lingaraj Gandhi, Vice Chancellor, BCU.

> **"The second semester exams have been completed but we haven't received results for the first one yet**
>
> – Lakshya Raj, a student of BCU

"Based on our suggestions, the corrections have to be incorporated into the portal. Since it is a centralised app, different universities are giving different feedback based on their own challenges. Every university has different courses so the changes might take some time to be incorporated," he added.

Currently, BCU has more than 100 courses, and more than 1,000 unique IDs have to be created on the portal as there's many papers and subjects.

"Keeping this in mind it is a really challenging thing for the portal but it is still a new system and we are trying to give feedback and cope with the new technology," he explained.

Earlier this year, the colleges faced similar issues and technical glitches with the UUCMS portal during university admissions. Many colleges and universities were unable to link their bank accounts to payment portal causing hindrances in the admission process.

However, the universities say that the portal is a great step since it is expected to get more user-friendly with a few technical changes and is still in the development phase.

Assault allegations against BJP leader's son

A Karnataka BJP leader's son has been charged for allegedly assaulting staff at an eatery in Electronics City.

BJP leader KC Ramachandra's son Dhanush allegedly created a scene as he tried to order food for 20 people and since the restaurant was closing for the day, they could not serve him.

That is when he got angry at the staff and started abusing and berating them. The incident has been recorded on camera.

This incident took place on November 20 around 11.30 pm. However, 10 days on, the police have still not taken Dhanush into custody.

A case has been registered at the Electronics City Police Station under sections 143, 149, 323, 324, 341, 354, 504, 506 of the Indian Penal Code (IPC).

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A gang stole money kept in a scooter parked in Anekal. The victim, Sanjay Kumar, had withdrawn Rs 1.5 lakh and kept it in his two-wheeler. Later, he went inside the bank and when he returned, his two-wheeler was empty. He reported it at Anekal police station. CPI Chandrappa and other policemen came to the spot, checked the CCTV footage and registered a complaint.

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Maternal mortality: Karnataka last on list in South India

Though rate has dipped a bit, experts say deaths of young girls in childbirth show the prevalence of child marriage

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Karnataka stands fourth in the country in terms of reduction of maternal mortality (MMR). But, the state still lags behind its neighbouring states. MMR is a key figure that relates to the health of pregnant women. There have been constant efforts to prevent deaths of pregnant women or within 42 days of termination of pregnancy.

The MMR in the state which was 83 maternal deaths per one lakh live births in 2017-19 has now reduced to 69. With this, Karnataka has reached the sustainable development goal of having fewer than 70/ lakh live births by 2030. "Our efforts to build more mother's care hospitals across the state, recruitment of obstetricians and anaesthetists at government hospitals in rural areas have enhanced maternity care infrastructure and quality of institutional delivery," said Dr K Sudhakar, Health Minister, Karnataka.

"The establishment of dedicated women's clinics and Namma Clinics in urban areas will further improve pre-natal and post-natal care and support the overall well-being of women and children," he added.

However, Karnataka still has the highest MMR in south India. Kerala has the lowest MMR with 19, Telangana 43, Andhra Pradesh 45 and Tamil Nadu 54. The data is as per the Special Bulletin on MMR released by the Registrar General of India.

The maximum number of maternal deaths in the country are taking place in the age group of 20 to 24 (32 percent) while 30% of deaths are of pregnant women aged between 25-29. Surprisingly, 6% of deaths in the country are reported among pregnant women aged 15-19.

Data reveals that 6% of deaths in the country are reported among pregnant women aged 15–19, which points to child marriages

According to a health expert, these numbers point to the fact that most of the women who were young mothers are facing risk of death during pregnancy. The shocking numbers from the age group of 15-19 shows that child marriages are still going on and worse, many young girls are becoming pregnant.

"In order to understand the maternal mortality situation in the country better and to map the changes, especially at the regional levels, states were categorised into three groups," said an official.

"Our efforts to build more mothers' care hospitals, hiring of obstetricians at govt hospitals in rural areas enhanced maternity care infra

"Empowered Action Group (EAG) states comprising Bihar, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Odisha, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand and Assam. Southern states including Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu and the other states covering the remaining states and union territories," he added.

"It is heartening that the MMR in India has declined over the years to 97 in 2018-20 from 130 (2014-16) and 103 (2017-19)," he said.

"With this, India has accomplished the National Health Policy (NHP) target for MMR of less than 100/lakh live births and is on the right track to achieve the SDG target of MMR less than 70/ lakh live births by 2030," the report stated.

The progress made in terms of the number of states which have achieved Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) target, the number has now risen from six to eight.

State govt tells HC it needs more time for BBMP election

The Karnataka government on Wednesday informed the High Court that it needs more time to conduct the elections to the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP).

Additional Advocate General Dhyan Chinnappa on Wednesday informed a single judge bench of the High Court that information has been sought from the Justice Bhaktavatsala Committee regarding the Backward Classes reservation.

The Commission has sought time to provide the details. Therefore, three months should be granted for the same.

The HC on Wednesday adjourned the hearing to December 6.

The election was last held in November 2015 and its tenure ended November 2020.

The High Court on September 30 had set aside the August 3 reservation list of the state government and ordered a fresh list to be prepared by November 30.

It had also directed the State Election Commission to conduct polls to the civic body before December 31.

The last BBMP polls were held in November 2015 and the tenure of the civic body ended in November 2020. Assembly elections in Karnataka are slated to be held in early 2023. **PTI**

Vikram Kirloskar, Toyota India's vice chairman, dies at 64

Vikram Kirloskar, vice chairman of Toyota Motor Corp's India unit, died of a heart attack on Tuesday, the company said. He was 64.

A veteran of India's automobile industry and a "passionate engineer", according to his Twitter profile, Kirloskar was instrumental in bringing the Japanese carmaker to India. Toyota's India unit is a joint venture with Kirloskar Group.

Messages of condolences poured in on Twitter from India's business community and government officials who remembered him fondly for his gracious personality and contributions towards transforming India's auto industry.

"He had world class vision to bring the best to India. A clear mind and a great heart," said Uday Kotak, chief executive of Kotak Mahindra Bank and Asia's richest banker.

"His efforts have tremendously helped Bharat to move towards cleaner and greener fuels. This is a deep personal loss to me," India's road transport minister Nitin Gadkari said on Twitter, using the Sanskrit name for India.

A strong advocate of climate change, Kirloskar had played a key role in introducing Toyota's hybrid technology in India while also building a supply chain for electrified components in the country. **–Reuters**

Accused jumps off moving police jeep; dies

Three policemen have been booked after an accused, being taken for interrogation, died when he jumped off a moving police jeep in this district, sources said on Wednesday.

According to sources, the case has been booked against Circle Police Inspector Shivamadaiah, Mamballi Police Station PSI Made Gowda and police constable Somanna in Yalanduru police station.

The mother of the deceased Mahadevamma, had also given complaint against the accused policemen alleging that her son died as he was unable to bear the torture by police.

Twenty-one-year-old Ningaraju, a resident of Kunturumole village in Yalanduru taluk, was taken into police custody in connection with kidnapping a minor girl. However, when the policemen were taking him to the police station for inquiry, Ningaraju jumped off the police vehicle in a bid to escape and sustained severe injuries.

The incident had taken place on Tuesday. Immediately, Ningaraju was shifted to the hospital, but he succumbed to injuries there.

The police have taken up further investigation. **–IANS**

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Namma Clinic location questioned

building', they told BM.

"There are some unutilised buildings owned by the BBMP in Halasuru. For example, there is a building on Satyanarayana Temple Street where an anganwadi centre is functioning, where some of the rooms are unoccupied. By setting up a Namma Clinic at such an unutilised building, the health department can avoid paying the rent," said BR Chandran, a social activist.

According to Chandran, the issue of setting up Namma Clinic was not discussed in the ward committee meeting.

"Neither the medical officer nor the ward engineer brought forth the issue of the civic body looking for a suitable building to set up Namma Clinic during the ward committee meetings in the last six months. The present location selected for setting up Namma Clinic is not suitable for patients as it has no ventilation; it is too congested. Bazaar Street is a one way road which makes it difficult to park vehicles of those who shall visit Namma Clinic," Chandran added.

It is said the health department has agreed to pay over Rs 40,000 towards rent every month apart from spending more than Rs 2 lakh for interior furnishing.

"There is vacant space near the Watch Tower where a mobile Indira Canteen used to function. It is the BBMP's property but some private people have encroached it. It will be good if the authorities construct a structure at the place and use it for the Namma Clinic," said Hari Kumar, a resident of Halasuru.

Meanwhile, BBMP medical officer at Shivajinagar said efforts were made to find a spacious building to set up Namma Clinic but in vain.

"Not many property owners are ready to rent out buildings without the advance amount. Finally, we managed to get this space without paying the advance amount as there is no provision for the BBMP to pay advance amount," said the medical officer, adding that medical staff were already recruited — 'the work on setting up Namma Clinics at Jayamahal, Ramaswamypalya, Sampangi Ramanagar, Vasanth Nagar and Bharathinagar is in progress', the officer added.

BBMP executive engineer Saifuddin told BM that the BBMP would pay only Rs 2 lakh plus GST to the contractor towards interior furnishing of Namma Clinic.

"There is a provision to spend Rs 5 lakh as per the specifications to set up a Namma Clinic but we have told the contractor that he would get compensation as per the work done by him. The interior work may not cost more than Rs 2 lakh," he said.

Bangalore Mirror published a story – Folks, introducing Namma Clinics – on August 7, narrating the facilities of a Namma Clinic set up at a spacious building in Malleswaram assembly constituency.

Cyborgs v 'holdout humans'

What the world might be like if our species survives for a million years

Most species are transitory. They go extinct, branch into new species or change over time due to random mutations and environmental shifts.

A typical mammalian species can be expected to exist for a million years. Modern humans, Homo sapiens, have been around for roughly 300,000 years. So what will happen if we make it to a million years?

Science fiction author HG Wells was the first to realise that humans could evolve into something very alien. In his 1883 essay, Man in the year million, he envisioned what's now become a cliche: big-brained, tiny-bodied creatures. Later, he speculated that humans could also split into two or more new species.

While Wells's evolutionary models have not stood the test of time, the three basic options he considered still hold true. We could go extinct, turn into several species or change. An added ingredient is that we have biotechnology that could increase the probability of each of them.

Foreseeable future technologies such as human enhancement (making ourselves smarter, stronger or in other ways better using drugs, microchips, genetics or other technology), brain emulation (uploading our brains to computers) or artificial intelligence (AI) may produce technological forms of new species not seen in biology.

Software intelligence

It is impossible to predict the future perfectly. But it is my job to explore the possibilities, and I think the most likely case is vast "speciation" – when a species splits into several others.

There are many among us who want to improve the human condition – slowing and abolishing ageing, enhancing intelligence and mood, and changing bodies – potentially leading to new species. These visions, however, leave many cold. It is plausible that even if these technologies become as cheap and ubiquitous as mobile phones, some people will refuse them on principle and build their self-image of being "normal" humans. In the long run, we should expect the most enhanced people, generation by generation to become one or more fundamentally different "posthuman" species – and a species of holdouts declaring themselves the "real humans".

Through brain emulation, a speculative technology where one scans a brain at a cellular level and then reconstructs an equivalent neural network in a computer to create a "software intelligence", we could go even further. This is no mere speciation, it is leaving the animal kingdom for the mineral, or rather, software kingdom. There are many reasons some might want to do this, such as boosting chances of immortality or easy travel in space.

Foreseeable future technologies such as brain emulation or AI may produce technological forms of new species not seen in biology

Software intelligence has other advantages, too. It can be very resource efficient – a virtual being only needs energy from sunlight and some rock material to make microchips. It can also think and change on the timescales set by computations. It can evolve in new ways with a software update.

Yet humanity is unlikely to remain the sole intelligent species on the planet. Artificial intelligence is advancing rapidly right now. While there are profound uncertainties about when or if it becomes conscious, artificial general intelligence will arrive, a sizeable fraction of experts think it is possible within this century or sooner.

If it can happen, it probably will. At some point, we are likely to have a planet where humans have largely been replaced by software intelligence or AI – or some combination of the two.

Utopia or dystopia?

Eventually, it seems plausible that most minds will become software. Research suggests computers will soon become more energy efficient than they are now. Software minds also won't need to eat or drink, which are inefficient ways of obtaining energy, and they can save power by running slower parts of the day.

This means we should be able to get many more artificial minds per kilogram of matter and watts of solar power than human minds in the far future.

Physical beings have a distinct disadvantage compared with software beings, moving in the sluggish, quaint world of matter. Still, they are self-contained, unlike the flitting software that will evaporate if their data centre is ever disrupted. "Natural" humans may remain in traditional societies very unlike those of software people. This is not unlike the Amish people today, whose humble lifestyle is still made possible (and protected) by the surrounding United States. It is not given that surrounding societies have to squash small and primitive societies: we have established human rights and legal protections and something similar could continue for normal humans.

If biological humans go extinct, the most likely reason is lack of tolerance and respect with other post-human species

Is this a good future? Much depends on your values. A good life may involve having meaningful relations with other people and living in a prosperous environment sustainably. From that perspective, weird posthumans are not needed; we just need to ensure that the quiet little village can function (perhaps protected by unseen automation).

Some may value "the human project", an unbroken chain from our palaeolithic ancestors to our future selves, but be open to progress. They would probably regard software people and AI as going too far, but be fine with humans evolving into new forms.

Others would argue what matters is freedom of self-expression and following your life goals. Others may value happiness, thinking or other qualities that different entities hold and want futures that maximise these.

Dyson sphere?

Here's a prediction for the year one million. Some humans look more or less like us – but they are less numerous than they are now. Much of the surface is wilderness, having turned into a rewilding zone since there is far less need for agriculture and cities. Here and there, cultural sites with vastly different ecosystems pop up, carefully preserved by robots for historical or aesthetic reasons.

The vast and hot data centres which power these minds once threatened to overheat the planet. Now, most orbit the Sun, forming a growing structure – a Dyson sphere – where each watt of energy powers thought, consciousness, complexity and other strange things we do not have words for yet.

If biological humans go extinct, the most likely reason (apart from the obvious and immediate threats right now) is a lack of respect, tolerance and binding contracts with other post-human species. Maybe a reason for us to start treating our own minorities betters.

(By Anders Sandberg, University of Oxford, The Conversation)

BITS & BYTES

CHECK THE FACTS

In a bid to further fight misinformation, Google and YouTube have announced a $13.2 million grant to the International Fact-Checking Network (IFCN) at the nonprofit Poynter Institute to launch a new Global Fact Check Fund.

The new fund, to open in early 2023, will support their network of 135 fact-checking organisations from 65 countries, covering over 80 languages.

"Building on our previous work to address misinformation, this is Google and YouTube's single largest grant in fact-checking," the company said in a statement. The Global Fact Check Fund will help fact-checkers to scale existing operations or launch new ones that elevate information, uplift credible sources and reduce harm of misinformation. **IANS**

SHARING IS CARING

Samsung has released a 'Good Lock' module called 'Galaxy to Share', which will let users share their settings across Galaxy devices.

Good Lock is an app made by Samsung which allows users to completely customise their Galaxy phone or tablet experience.

According to SamMobile, as Samsung has been busy rolling out One UI 5 to its slew of devices, it's now released 'Galaxy to Share' through Good Lock.

This new module was introduced through Good Lock's latest version update.

Galaxy to Share enables Galaxy device owners to share their Good Lock settings from one device to all others in their possession.

The following modules and stand-alone Good Lock apps are supported -- Keys Cafe, Theme Park, LockStar, NavStar, MultiStar, QuickStar, ClockFace, Home Up, One Hand Operation+, and Sound Assistant, according to the report.. **IANS**

BACK WITH A BANG

Elon Musk has started reinstating nearly 62,000 suspended Twitter accounts with more than 10,000 followers, including one account that has over 5 million followers and 75 accounts with over 1 million followers.

According to Platformer, Twitter employees are calling the reinstating process as "Big Bang". The project could cause more instability at Twitter at a time when the company is facing a severe engineering talent crunch, the report said late on Tuesday, quoting current employees. "Each reinstatement requires Twitter to rebuild a social graph, activating data on who the account follows and who follows the account. For large accounts like Trump's, that's millions of lists that Twitter has to update and maintain," the report informed. **IANS**

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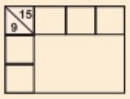
SOLVE IT IN A MINUTE

(10^51 + 10^50) /10^49 = ?

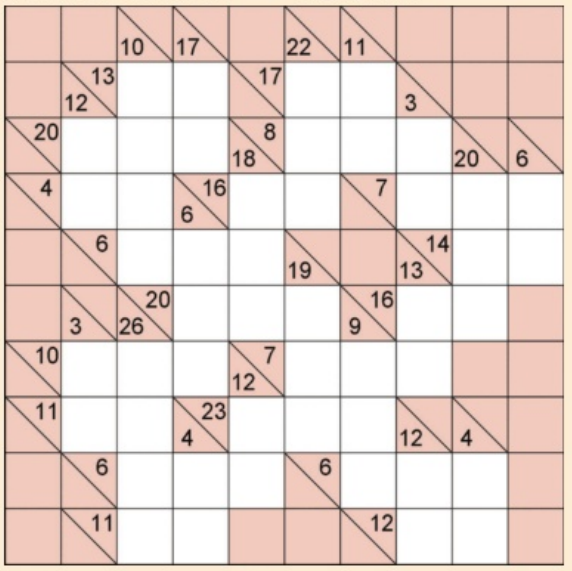
Kakuro

The numbers in the grey squares refer to the sums of the digits that you must fill into the empty spaces directly below or to the right of the grey square containing the number. For instance, in the given example, the 3 boxes horizontally next to 15 must contain 3 digits that add up to 15, whereas



for 9, it is the 2 boxes placed vertically under it that must add up to 9. No zeros are used here, only the digits 1 through 9.

Note: A digit cannot appear more than once in any particular digit combination. For instance, in the example, we cannot have the combination of 4+7+4 for 15.



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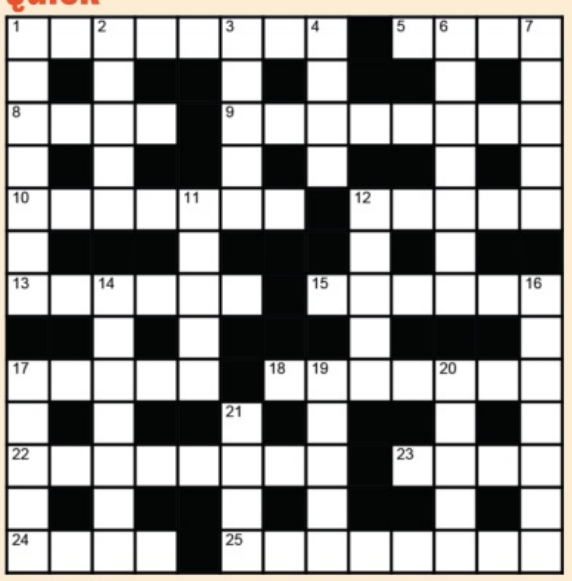


ACROSS

1 Unused (5,3)
5 Elevator innovator (4)
8 An expression of pain (4)
9 Destitute (8)
10 Established (7)
12 Look displeased (5)
13 Cuisine which is a fusion of Kodava and Mangalorean (6)
15 Cowardly (6)
17 Fashion, method (5)
18 Beethoven contemporary (7)
22 Stay of execution (8)
23 Of local origin locally (4)
24 Watch over (4)
25 Swindler (8)

DOWN

1 Come into flower (7)
2 English racecourse (5)
3 Bete ___ : Anathema (5)
4 Vast or spacious (4)
6 Three-lobed leaf (7)
7 Attend or take part as a visitor? (3,2)
11 Withdraw (5)
12 Senses or touches (5)
14 Expose or reveal as in, "___ ___ shocking facts...."? (3,4)
16 Wailing or bemoaning (7)
17 Small fish (5)
19 Musical drama (5)
20 Perfect, just right (5)
21 Action word (4)

Quoteuncode

This puzzle is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that Q equals C, it will equal C throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

Today's CLUE: X EQUALS P

HQ XYIXDY GYFYC PHP MHDDS EVHGBM, GIEVHGB HGEYDDH-BYGE OINDP YFYC BYE PIGY.

Linemaro

I am an artist and my job is to stare at beautiful women like you

Mindchow

Art, like morality, consists in drawing the line somewhere

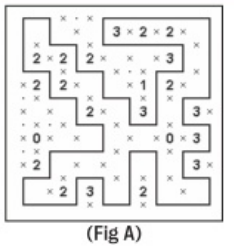
Joke of the day

Better to remain silent and be thought a fool, than to speak and remove all doubt

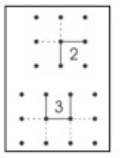
Loop

Rules

» Connect adjacent dots with vertical or horizontal lines, creating a single loop (Fig A). » Crossovers or branches are not allowed (As shown by dotted lines in Fig B). » Numbers in the puzzle indicate the number of lines that should surround it, while empty cells may be surrounded by any number of lines. » You can't draw lines around zeros. » Each puzzle has just one unique solution.



(Fig A)

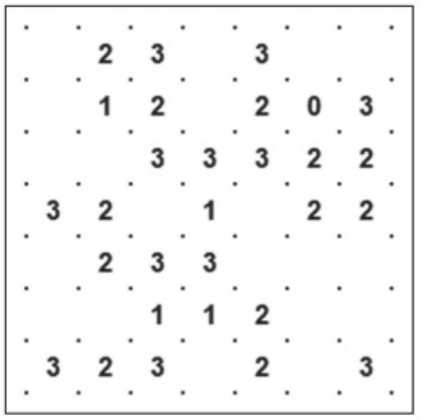


(Fig B) Not Allowed

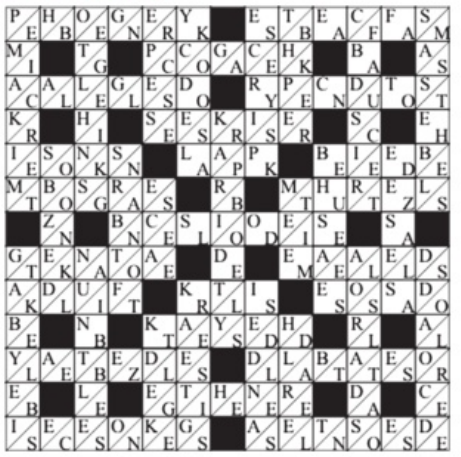
How to begin:

Example (Fig A) – Begin with the zero next to 3. Since no lines can be drawn around zero, mark crosses around it, as shown. Now there is a cross in one space around 3. So we know the three lines of 3 can only be drawn in the remaining three spaces. Next, these lines can only be extended in one direction each. Continue, using the same logic.

Hints: Keep eliminating possibilities by marking crosses in spaces between dots where a line isn't possible, i.e., if you have already completed required lines or where a line extension may create a branch or cause a dead-end (Fig B)



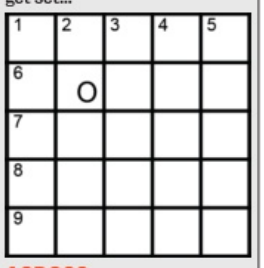
Strikeout



This crossword has no clues and the answer is there waiting for you. All you have to do is find it in each square. You have a choice of two letters, one of which you must strike out. If you choose correctly, you will be left with a grid that contains real words.

Fast five

How long do you think it will take you to unscramble the ten words shown below and fit them correctly into the grid in the order given one letter has already been entered to get you started? on your marks, get set...



ACROSS

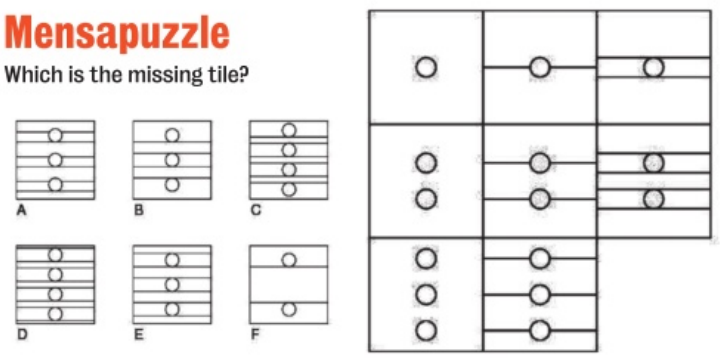
1 To cad; 6 A taro;
7 Ark it; 8 N clue;
9 Ms Tut

DOWN

1 Aum OK; 2 No cur;
3 At CRT; 4 Tital;
5 Stead

Mensapuzzle

Which is the missing tile?



Bull's eye

How many words of four or more letters can you make from the letters shown? Every word must contain the central letter. There should be one seven-letter word. British English Dictionary is used as a reference.

05 Average; 06 Good; 08 Outstanding

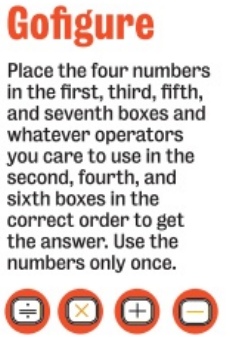
SudokuChallenge

1		5				8		2
	4			9			1	
		2				3		
4	8		2		6		3	9
			3		7			
7	2		9		1		8	6
		8				2		
	7			3			5	
9		6				4		8

To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every digit from one to nine must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes.

Gofigure

Place the four numbers in the first, third, fifth, and seventh boxes and whatever operators you care to use in the second, fourth, and sixth boxes in the correct order to get the answer. Use the numbers only once.



Easy = 27
3 8 8 8

Medium = 35
2 3 5 8

Hard = 8
3 7 7 5

Hocusfocus

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

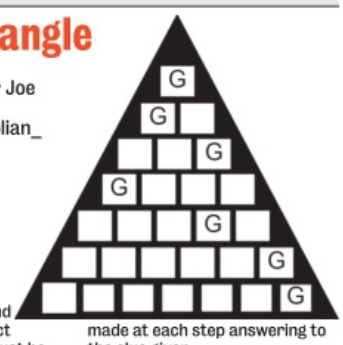
Differences: 1. Pillow is moved. 2. Arm is moved. 3. Camera strap is added. 4. Collar is not showing. 5. Sofa leg is missing. 6. Seat cushion is thicker.

Riddler

What does the following rebus represent?
1. Do Do 2. Dew Dew 3. Due Due

Alpha triangle

1 Gravity, symbol
2 American soldier Joe
3 Giant
4 The Great Mongolian_
5 Lotto
6 Auguring
7 Joining securely



Beginning at the top move towards the bottom seven-letter word by adding a letter at each step and rearranging. A correct and different word must be made at each step answering to the clue given.

DIFFICULT TO SOLVE? FIND THESE SOLUTIONS ON THE NEXT PAGE

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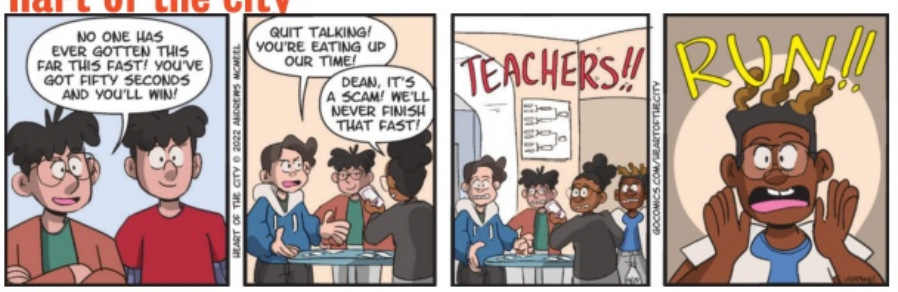
Diamond Lil

Hart of the city


NO ONE HAS EVER GOTTEN THIS FAR THIS FAST! YOU'VE GOT FIFTY SECONDS AND YOU'LL WIN!
QUIT TALKING! YOU'RE EATING UP OUR TIME!
DEAN, IT'S A SCAM! WE'LL NEVER FINISH THAT FAST!
TEACHERS!!
RUN!!
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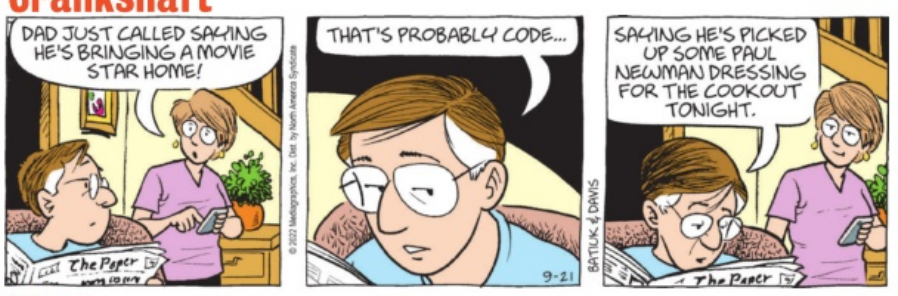
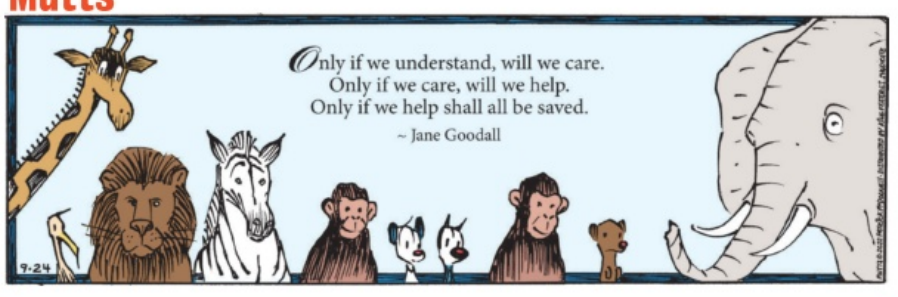
Crankshaft


DAD JUST CALLED SAYING HE'S BRINGING A MOVIE STAR HOME!
THAT'S PROBABLY CODE...
SAYING HE'S PICKED UP SOME PAUL NEWMAN DRESSING FOR THE COOKOUT TONIGHT.
The Paper
9-21
BATIUK & DAVIS

Mutts



WHAT YOUR STARS SAY TODAY

Aries Mar 21 – Apr 20
Today you may be busy at work. Your wisdom may help you take the right decisions, which may boost your business. You are likely to get a big order, which may expand your work. You may utilise your creativity to renovate your home or office, which may improve your social status. You may invest in some creative assets too.

Taurus Apr 21 – May 20
Today situations are under control. You may be able to come out from the past days' messy situation. You will work with patience, which will reflect. You may plan for an outing. Students may have good focus towards their goals. Singles may find love with the help of their friends or relatives.

Gemini May 21 – Jun 21
Today you may feel unhappy. You may be impatient. You may be a victim of mood swings, which may reflect into your domestic life. You are advised to avoid arrogance at work, otherwise you may create hidden enemies around you. You are advised to avoid rash driving.

Cancer Jun 22 – July 23
Today you may be happy. You may spread happiness all around you and feel harmony in your personal life. You may enjoy some romantic moments with your spouse. Your family may support you to take some important decisions. You may also take some important decisions on the professional front. You may expect some new ventures or partnerships in business.

Leo Jul 24 – Aug 23
Today the positive moon will make you happy. You may use your patience at work. Your performance will be good in the office and you may get some incentives in terms of rewards. Health-related issues of family members will be resolved now. Job aspirants are likely to get a good job. Lovebirds may enjoy quality time.

Virgo Aug 24 – Sep 23
Today you may help needy people. It may improve your reputation in society. You might implement innovation into work, which may grow your business. Positive results will make you happy today. Lovebirds may plan an outing or adventure tours.

Libra Sep 24 – Oct 22
Today you may be dissatisfied and can have some sort of detachment from your responsibilities. This can make you confused. You may plan hypothetically for your projects. You are advised to be practical in your work to complete it on time. You may also take care of your parents. It is advised to postpone migration plans for some days.

Scorpio Oct 23 – Nov 22
Today you may be enthusiastic. you may be more focused, which will speed up your postponed projects. Your siblings may help you start a new project that will give you profits in the near future. You may expect some short trips related to your family issues. Job seekers may hear good news in terms of a new job.

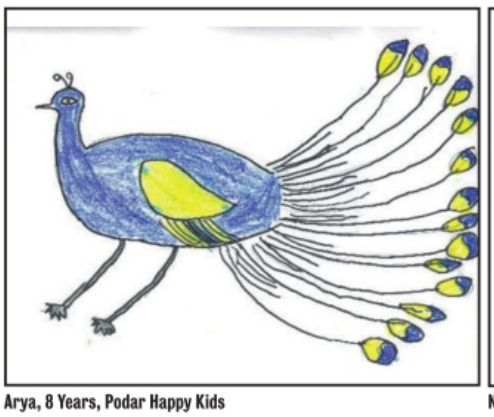
Sagittarius Nov 23 – Dec 22
Today you may be able to control your expenditure on worthless things, which may improve your financial health. You may be more creative today. You can use your creativity to decorate your office or home, which may enhance your social status. Lovebirds are likely to get some support from their family members to maintain their relationship status. Students may hear good news in terms of academics.

Capricorn Dec 23 – Jan 20
Today you are blessed by the moon, which may give you peace of mind. Externally, you may face some work-related stress, but your inner senses may be calm and cool. This will help you to balance everything. You may enjoy every moment in your work and domestic life. Some new sources of income may open up. It may help you to boost your savings.

Aquarius Jan 21 – Feb 19
You may feel dull today. You may face some old health issues. You are likely to be a victim of tiredness, which could make you arrogant. Your arrogance may affect your domestic harmony. Your profits may convert into losses. You are advised to think twice before making any type of financial transaction.

Pisces Feb 20 – Mar 20
Today you may feel your inner strength improving. Your losses may convert to profits, which may help with business growth and liquidity. With the help of your subordinates, you may be able to take some difficult decisions in business. Your performance at work may be praised by your seniors. You may also expect to get incentives, which may increase your savings.

KIDZONE



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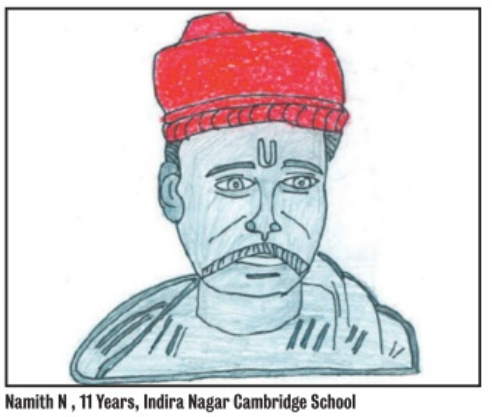

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SOLUTIONS

SOLVE IN 1M
= (10×10-50+ 10-50)/10-49
= 11×10-50/10-49
= 11× 10 = 110

RIDDLER
To Do List (Two "do/ dew/etc." list)

QUOTE UNCODE
If people never did silly things, nothing intelligent would ever get done.

FAST FIVE

O	C	T	A	D
A	O	R	T	A
K	R	A	I	T
U	N	C	L	E
M	U	T	T	S

STRIKE OUT

P	H	O	N	E	Y		S	T	A	F	F	S		
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QUICK

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MENSA PUZZLE
E: looking across, the number of lines increases. Looking down, the number of circles increases by one and the circles fit within the bands formed by the lines.

BULL'S EYE
gear, grew, rage, sage, swag, SWAGGER, wage, wager

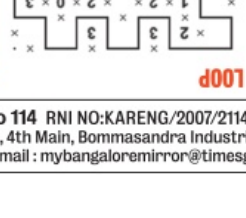
SUDOKU

9	3	6	1	2	5	4	7	8
2	7	4	6	3	8	9	5	1
5	1	8	4	7	9	2	6	3
7	2	3	9	4	1	5	8	6
6	5	9	3	8	7	1	2	4
4	8	1	2	5	6	7	3	9
8	6	2	5	1	4	3	9	7
3	4	7	8	9	2	6	1	5
1	9	5	7	6	3	8	4	2

ALPHA TRIANGLE
G, Gl, Big, Gobi, Bingo, Boling, Bonding.

GO FIGURE
Easy
3 + 8 + 8 + 8 = 27
Medium
2 – 3 + 8 × 5 = 35
Hard
7 – 7 + 5 + 3 = 8

LOOP



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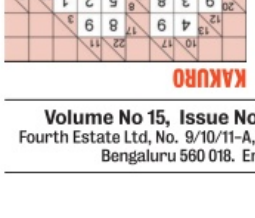

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'No rules flouted'— After Raveena Tandon's safari video sparked a row, the actor clarified that she did not flout any guidelines inside Madhya Pradhesh's Satpura Reserve

Arjun fumes at 'disgusting' goss

Earlier on Wednesday, after reports emerged that Bollywood actress Malaika Arora is expecting her first child with Arjun Kapoor, ETimes confirmed with a family member that there is no truth to the talk. Malaika's boyfriend Arjun Kapoor too has reacted strongly to the reports.

Sharing a screenshot of the news article, Arjun wrote, "This is the lowest that you could have gone and you have done it by being casual, insensitive and absolutely unethical in carrying garbage news."

He further wrote, "This journalist has been writing such pieces regularly and getting away with it because we tend to ignore these fake gossip articles while they spread across the media and become the truth."

He also warned the media house, "This is not done, don't dare to play with our personal lives." **—ETimes**

Vijay Deverakonda quizzed

The Enforcement Directorate on Wednesday questioned actor Vijay Deverakonda in connection with the funding of the film 'Liger'.

According to sources, Vijay was questioned in a case related to an alleged FEMA (Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999) violation.

Vijay was recently seen in a sports action film 'Liger' alongside Ananya Panday which failed to impress the audience at the box office.

Backed by Karan Johar's Dharma Productions, the film also stars Ramya Krishnan. The film revolves around a young guy, Liger (Vijay) and his widowed mother Balamani (Ramya Krishnan), who have come from Telangana to Mumbai because she wants to see her son become a national MMA (Mixed Martial Arts) champion. The actor is preparing to make a grand comeback from his next Pan-India action thriller, 'Jana Gana Mana'. **—ANI**

Shake a leg, and how!

Nora Fatehi sets the stage on fire at FIFA World Cup

Nora Fatehi, known for her immaculate dance moves enjoys a huge fan base all across the world. The Toronto-born, 30-year-old, who has been part of some hit numbers like Dilbar, Manike and Kusu Kusu recently performed at the ongoing FIFA World Cup 2022 and left her fans in awe of her talent.

Dressed up in a shimmery number, Nora could be seen setting the stage on fire as she danced on her hit songs such as O Saki Saki and others. She could also be seen shaking a leg on the official FIFA World Cup anthem Light The Sky.

Earlier, the performer took to her insta handle to share her excitement on being welcomed at the event and hearing her name being called out in the stadium. She wrote, "That moment when you hear ur voice at the world cup stadium @ fifaworldcup this was so surreal! It's milestones like this that make the journey so worth it. i Always envisioned moments like this, i'm Just a Dreamer with a hunger to make those dreams come alive! From a regular shmegular girl in the hood to this! Believe in yourself guys, never let anybody tell you You Can't! Your dreams are never too big! Many laughed at me at the start but we are out here!! And this is just the beginning.." **—ETimes**

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Finally, a release date

The dates for release of the much-awaited Kannada movie Padavi Poorva, directed by Hariprasad Jayanna, have been announced. The film is scheduled to release by December 30. The movie's shooting began with a muhurat function in November 2020. Hariprasad Jayanna, who has been working as an associate for director Yogaraj Bhat, debuts as a director with this film.

Its soundtrack, especially the song – Friends Idrene Jeevana – has been a huge success. Vijay Prakash has sung the song for which Arjun Janya scored music. Pruthvi Shamanur from Davangere debuts as a hero in Sandalwood with Padavi Poorva. Anjali Anish and Yasha Shivakumar are paired opposite Shamanur. It is said that Shamanur had quite a passion to act in movies and attended several auditions many times since childhood. But he did not got selected till director Yogaraj Bhat spotted him at a birthday function. Padavi Poorva has been made under the Yogaraj Movies and Ravi Shamanur Films banner.

It is said the story of Padavi Poorva highlights the antics of college students that is entwined with a charming love story. Divya Uruduga plays a key role in the film.

Temper tantrum

Music director Manju Kavi, who has been associated with the Kannada film industry for eight years, debuts as a director with Temper which is ready for release shortly. The movie is expected to be released in Kannada and Telugu. Its trailer was released on Monday at Karnataka Chalanachitra Kalavidara Sangha.

The theme of the movie is how children, if not brought up with discipline by parents, are vulnerable to bad habits. Temper will highlight the importance of rapport between the parents and kids.

According to Manju Kavi, Temper can draw mass as well as family audiences to the theaters. Its shooting was held in Bengaluru, Mandya, Mysuru and other places in the state for 50 days. "The protagonist tends to get angry about everything. I try to convey how bad it is to get angry for no reason. The hero works at an auto garage and falls in love with the daughter of the village chief. The climax is how the hero will save his family from the village chief," said director Manju Kavi. Aryan Surya and Kaashima Rafi are making their debut as the lead pair in Sandalwood with this movie.